

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Augustine M. K. Choi *et al.* Art Unit : 1619
 Serial No. : 09/538,788 Examiner : F. Choi
 Filed : March 30, 2000
 Title : CARBON MONOXIDE AS A BIOMARKER AND THERAPEUTIC AGENT

Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the action dated July 17, 2001, be extended for three months to and including January 17, 2002.

Enclosed is a check for \$920 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 13681-003001.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Jan. 15, 2002

Janis K. Fraser
 Janis K. Fraser, Ph.D., J.D.
 Reg. No. 34,819

Fish & Richardson P.C.
 225 Franklin Street
 Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2804
 Telephone: (617) 542-5070
 Facsimile: (617) 542-8906

20373537.doc

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

I hereby certify under 37 CFR §1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Date of Deposit January 15, 2002
Kathleen Philpot
 Signature
KATHLEEN PHILPOT
 Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate

205FTD" SESES00T